Table 1 to paragraph (h) Vehicle/Track Interaction Safety Limits Wheel-Rail Forces1 Filter / Parameter Safety Limit Requirements Window No wheel of the vehicle shall be permitted to unload to less than 15 percent of the static vertical wheel load for 1.5 m (5 Single Wheel Vertical 1.5 m

(5 ft)

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ft) or more continuous meters.

The ratio of the lateral force that any wheel exerts on an individual rail to the vertical force exerted by the same

wheel on the rail shall not be

greater than the safety limit calculated for the wheel's flange angle (δ) for 1.5 m (5 ft) or more continuous meters.

The net axle lateral force, in kN, exerted by any axle on the track shall not exceed a total of

22.24 kN (5 kips) plus 40 percent of the static vertical

continuous meters.

any bogie exert on an

(kN)

load that the axle exerts on the track for 1.5 m (5 ft) or more

Va = static vertical axle load

The ratio of the lateral forces that the wheels on one side of

individual rail to the vertical

forces exerted by the same wheels on that rail shall not be greater than 0.6 for 1.5 m (5 ft) or more continuous meters.

The static vertical wheel load is defined as the load that the wheel would carry when stationary on level track.

> 0.15

Load Ratio

Single Wheel L/V

Net Axle Lateral L/V

Bogie Side L/V Ratio

 ≤ 0.6

Ratio

Ratio